

ABSTRACT

A facility searching technique easier to operate and having high degree of freedom. A facility searching  
5 device is constructed from a database on map information, a database relating to various kinds of facilities and including positional information of the facilities, display means for displaying, based on the map information, a map of a predetermined area, a pointing  
10 device for inputting a position located on the displayed map, voice input means for inputting by voice an instruction relating to search for facilities, and means (25, 29, 30, 31) for performing the search for facilities upon receiving the input of a position or the  
15 input of an instruction (steps 21-22, 24, 26, 27, 28), the search being based on the inputted position and the instruction.